<u>IN THE CLAIMS</u>

Please amend claims 14, 15, 19, and 21 as follows:

~~14~~ 2. (Twice Amended) The nursing bottle according to claim ~~13~~ 1 wherein the vent unit includes a vent tube, [in communication with] <u>forming a portion of</u> the airway, having a distal end, the vent tube projecting into the reservoir tube sufficiently so the distal end of the vent tube is above the level of liquid trapped in the reservoir tube when the bottle is inverted.

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~~15~~ 4. (Twice Amended) The nursing bottle according to claim ~~13~~ 1 wherein the vent unit further comprises an insert which secures to the reservoir tube, [the vent unit] <u>said insert being</u> adjacent to the reservoir tube preventing liquid from entering the airway and allowing air to flow through the airway.

~~19~~ 7. (Twice Amended) A container which vents [the container] <u>an interior thereof</u> to the atmosphere to resist the formation of a vacuum when the container is inverted to dispense a liquid therefrom, the container comprising: a receptacle adapted to hold liquid, a liquid outlet for dispensing the liquid when the container is inverted, a vent unit adapted to fit within the receptacle<u>, said vent unit</u> comprising a reservoir tube having upper and lower portions, the reservoir tube having a proximal first end adjacent the top of the receptacle and an open second end projecting sufficiently downwardly into the receptacle so that when the container is inverted<u>,</u> the open second end is above the level of the liquid in the receptacle, an airway in the vent unit extending between the outside of the receptacle and a point in the reservoir tube above the level of liquid trapped in the reservoir tube when the container is inverted, and a vent unit <u>forming a</u>

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portion of said airway adapted to fit within the reservoir tube, having a distal end, the vent tube projecting into the reservoir tube sufficiently so the distal end of the vent tube is above the level of liquid trapped in the reservoir tube when the bottle is inverted.

21. (Twice Amended) A vent unit adapted to install in the open top of a container to vent the container to the atmosphere to resist the formation of a vacuum when the container is inverted to dispense liquid, the vent unit comprising: a reservoir tube having a proximal first end and an open second end, wherein the first end is adjacent the open top of the container, the second end of the reservoir tube projecting sufficiently downwardly in the container so that when the container is inverted the second end is above the liquid in the inverted container, the vent unit having an airway extending from the exterior of the container to a point in the reservoir tube above the level of the liquid trapped inside the reservoir tube when the container is inverted, and a vent tube forming a portion of said airway, said vent tube adapted to fit within the reservoir tube, having a distal end, the vent tube projecting into the reservoir tube sufficiently so the distal end of the vent tube is above the level of the liquid trapped in the reservoir tube when the container is inverted.

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REMARKS

Claims 13-21 of the application are pending of which claims 13, 16, 17, and 20 have been allowed and claims 14, 15, 18, 19, and 21 have been rejected. The Examiner has also objected to Abstract of the Disclosure. Reconsideration of the application following the entry of the present Amendment and following remarks is respectfully requested.

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